

We just received the NSC
discussion paper (Tab A)

comments on
it will be available shortly.

His draft Talking Points
should serve you well at the
meeting. I have cross-referenced
them, where appropriate, to the
basic texts.

20 April 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH: Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM:
Chief, Arms Control Intelligence Staff

SUBJECT: NSC Meeting on START Scheduled for 1030 Hours, 21 April 1982

Purpose of Meeting

1. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss possible "units of account" (i.e., elements of strategic nuclear forces) which should be subject to limitations in a START agreement. The discussion is intended to familiarize the President with the issues involved and agency views on them. No decisions are expected at this time. The "units of account" under consideration are:

- Ballistic Missile Warheads
- Ballistic Missile Launchers
- Ballistic Missile Throw-Weight/Warhead Weight
- Bombers

2. A short discussion paper prepared by the START IG is at TAB A. It covers the issues for discussion and has agency views appended.

Intelligence Inputs

3. Three intelligence papers are relevant to the discussion and cover topics that you may be called upon to address at the meeting:

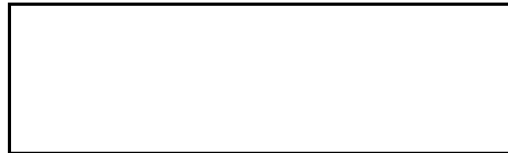
- Possible Soviet Responses to US START Initiatives (TAB B)
- Allied Reactions to US START Initiatives (TAB C)
- US Capabilities to Monitor Units of Account (TAB D)

4. The paper on Soviet responses was prepared by CIA and coordinated in the Intelligence Community. Its scope is quite broad, but includes material directly relevant to a discussion of "units of account". Talking points on this subject for your use are at TAB E.

5. The paper on Allied reactions was prepared on short notice by EURA for last week's START SIG and has been coordinated only with the NIO/WE. (An in-depth paper on this subject is currently being prepared by EURA and will be coordinated within the Intelligence Community). Talking points are at TAB E-1.

6. The paper on monitoring focuses on the "units of account" and is drawn from comprehensive coordinated Intelligence Community products prepared for the START IG. Monitoring judgments on the "units of account" are summarized in the discussion paper at Tab A. Therefore, the talking points at TAB E-2 do not repeat them.

7. This memorandum has been prepared in the absence of the discussion paper. It will be updated when the paper is received.



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